

**Abstract**

The present invention relates to an apparatus and a method for producing and filling sausage meat, the apparatus comprising a producing station for producing sausage meat and a filling station for filling the sausage meat produced by the producing station. The apparatus and the method are characterized in that, on the basis of the amount of sausage meat needed in the filling process or by the filling station, sausage meat is ejected in the producing process or by the producing station at at least a rate which lies between the rate of a deactivated and a full-load producing process and of a corresponding producing station, respectively.

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